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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	21 MC 100 (AKH)
IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER SITE LITIGATION	
ANTONIO BRUCCULERI AND GRACE BRUCCULERI	DOCKET NO.
Plaintiffs,	CHECK-OFF ("SHORT FORM") COMPLAINT RELATED TO THE MASTER COMPLAINT
- against -	
A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL.,	PLAINTIFF(S) DEMAND A TRIAL BY JURY
SEE ATTACHED RIDER,	
Defendants.	
By Order of the Honorable Alvin K. Heller 2006, ("the Order"), Amended Master Complaints fo	estein, United States District Judge, dated June er all Plaintiffs were filed on August 18, 2006.
NOTICE	OF ADOPTION
All headings and paragraphs in the Master Constant Plaintiff(s) as if fully set forth herein in add	

the Plaintiff(s), which are listed below. These are marked with an '\'\'' if applicable to the instant Plaintiff(s), and specific case information is set forth, as needed, below.

Plaintiffs, ANTONIO BRUCCULERI AND GRACE BRUCCULERI, by his/her/their attorneys WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP, complaining of Defendant(s), respectfully allege:

## I. PARTIES

## A. PLAINTIFF(S)

1. individual and		D BRUCCULERI (hereinafter esiding at 1457 76th Street, Br	•	
		(OR)	<b>,</b>	
2.	Alternatively, $\square$	is the	of Decedent	
, and brings this claim in his (her) capacity as of the Estate of				
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3. York residing Injured Plainti	at 1457 76th Street, Brooklyn, NY 112 iff:  SPOUSE at all relevant times h ANTONIO BRUCCULERI, at to the injuries sustained by her BRUCCULERI.  □ Parent □ Child □ C	after the "Derivative Plaintiff"), is a citizen of New 28-, and has the following relationship to the aerein, is and has been lawfully married to Plaintiff and brings this derivative action for her (his) loss due husband (his wife), Plaintiff ANTONIO  Other:			
	Transportation as a To be supplied at a	•			
P	Please be as specific as possible when fil	ling in the following dates and locations			
The World Trade Center Site Location(s) ( <i>i.e.</i> , building, quadrant, etc.)  From on or about 9/12/2001 until 11/6/2001; Approximately 12 hours per day; for		The Barge From on or about 9/12/2001 until 11/6/2001; Approximately 12 hours per day; for Approximately 56 days total.  ===================================			
☐ The New Y From on or ab Approximately	y 26 days total.	Other:* For injured plaintiffs who worked at Non-WTC Site building or location. The injured plaintiff worked at the address/location, for the dates alleged, for the hours per day, for the total days, and for the employer, as specified below:			
✓ The Fresh Kills Landfill From on or about 9/12/2001 until 11/6/2001; Approximately 12 hours per day; for Approximately 56 days total.		From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total; Name and Address of Non-WTC Site Building/Worksite:			
	is information on a separate sheet of pa "Other" locations, please annex a separa	per if necessary. If more space is needed to specify ate sheet of paper with the information.			
5.	Injured Plaintiff  ✓ Was exposed to and breathed n	oxious fumes on all dates, at the site(s) indicated			
	above;	oxious rumes on an autes, at the site(s) indicated			
✓ Was exposed to and inhaled or ingested toxic substances and particulates on al dates at the site(s) indicated above;					
	✓ Was exposed to and absorbed or touched toxic or caustic substances on all dates a the site(s) indicated above;				
	✓ Other: Not yet determined				

6.

Injured	l Plaintiff
V	Has not made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Pursuant to \$405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was denied. Pursuant to $\$405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. $\$40101$ , the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, that was subsequently withdrawn by Ground-Zero Plaintiff. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was granted. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, Ground Zero-Plaintiff has waived her/his right(s) to pursue any further legal action for the injuries identified in said claim.

### B. DEFENDANT(S)

The following is a list of all Defendant(s) named in the Master Complaint. If checked, all paragraphs pertaining to that Defendant are deemed pleaded herein.

☑ THE CITY OF NEW YORK	☑ A RUSSO WRECKING
✓ A Notice of Claim was timely filed and	☑ ABM INDUSTRIES, INC.
served on 11/2/06 and	☑ ABM JANITORIAL NORTHEAST, INC.
☐ pursuant to General Municipal Law §50-	☑ AMEC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,
h the CITY held a hearing on(OR)	INC.
✓ The City has yet to hold a hearing as	✓ AMEC EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
required by General Municipal Law §50-h	✓ ANTHONY CORTESE SPECIALIZED
✓ More than thirty days have passed and	HAULING, LLC, INC.
the City has not adjusted the claim	✓ ATLANTIC HEYDT CORP
(OR)	☑ BECHTEL ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL
☐ An Order to Show Cause application to	CORPORATION
deem Plaintiff's (Plaintiffs') Notice of	☑ BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.
Claim timely filed, or in the alternative to grant	☑ BECHTEL CORPORATION
Plaintiff(s) leave to file a late Notice of Claim	☑ BECHTEL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
Nunc Pro Tunc (for leave to file a late Notice of	☑ BERKEL & COMPANY, CONTRACTORS,
Claim <i>Nunc Pro Tunc</i> ) has been filed and a	INC.
determination	☑ BIG APPLE WRECKING & CONSTRUCTION
☐ is pending	CORP
	☐ BOVIS LEND LEASE, INC.
Granting petition was made on	☑ BOVIS LEND LEASE LMB, INC.
☐ Denying petition was made on	☑ BREEZE CARTING CORP
✓ PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND	☑ BREEZE NATIONAL, INC.
	☑ BRER-FOUR TRANSPORTATION CORP.
NEW JERSEY ["PORT AUTHORITY"]	☑ BURO HAPPOLD CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
✓ A Notice of Claim was filed and served	P.C.
pursuant to Chapter 179, §7 of The	☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
Unconsolidated Laws of the State of New	☑ CANRON CONSTRUCTION CORP ☐ CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF
York on 11/2/06	
✓ More than sixty days have elapsed since	NEW YORK, INC.  ✓ CORD CONTRACTING CO. INC.
the Notice of Claim was filed, (and)	☑ CORD CONTRACTING CO., INC ☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANY INC.
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has	☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANT INC.  ☐ DAKOTA DEMO-TECH
adjusted this claim	☑ DIAMOND POINT EXCAVATING CORP
☑ the PORT AUTHORITY has not	☑ DIAMOND FORT EXCAVATING CORT
adjusted this claim.	☑ DIVERSIFIED CARTING, INC.
	☑ DMT ENTERPRISE, INC.
☐ 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ D'ONOFRIO GENERAL CONTRACTORS
□ 1 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	CORP
☐ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EAGLE LEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY
□ 2 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	✓ EAGLE ONE ROOFING CONTRACTORS INC.
☐ 4 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☐ EAGLE SCAFFOLDING CO, INC.
☐ 4 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EJ DAVIES, INC.
☐ 5 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EN-TECH CORP
☐ 5 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☐ ET ENVIRONMENTAL
☐ 7 WORLD TRADE COMPANY, L.P.	☑EVANS ENVIRONMENTAL

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- ☑ NACIREMA INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED
- ☑ NICHOLSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

- ☑ PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP
- ☑ PLAZA CONSTRUCTION CORP.
- ✓ PRO SAFETY SERVICES, LLC
- ☑ PT & L CONTRACTING CORP
- ☐ REGIONAL SCAFFOLD & HOISTING CO,
- ☑ ROBER SILMAN ASSOCIATES
- ☑ ROBERT L GEROSA, INC
- ✓ RODAR ENTERPRISES, INC.
- ☑ ROYAL GM INC.
- ☑ SAB TRUCKING INC.
- ✓ SAFEWAY ENVIRONMENTAL CORP
- ☑ SEASONS INDUSTRIAL CONTRACTING
- ☑ WHITNEY CONTRACTING INC. ☑ WOLKOW-BRAKER ROOFING CORP ✓ WORLD TRADE CENTER PROPERTIES. ☑ WSP CANTOR SEINUK GROUP ☑ YANNUZZI & SONS INC ✓ YONKERS CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC.

✓ YORK HUNTER CONSTRUCTION, LLC

☑ ZIEGENFUSS DRILLING, INC.

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☐ OTHER:

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☐ Non-WTC Site Building Owner	☐ Non-WTC Site Building Managing Agent
Name:	Name:
Business/Service Address:	Business/Service Address:
Building/Worksite Address:	Building/Worksite Address:
□ Non-WTC Site Lessee	<b>G</b>
Name:	
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	

## II. JURISDICTION

	The Court's jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action is:			
□ Founded upon Federal Question Jurisdiction; specifically; □; Air Transport Safety & System Stabilization Act of 2001, (or); □ Federal Officers Jurisdiction, (or); □ Other (specify):; ☑ Contested, but the Court has already determined that it has removal jurisdiction over this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441.				
	III CAUSES	S OF	ACTION	
Plaintiff(s) seeks damages against the above named defendants based upon the following theories of liability, and asserts each element necessary to establish such a claim under the applicable substantive law:				
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law(s) including §§ 200 and 240	<b>V</b>	Common Law Negligence, including allegations of Fraud and Misrepresentation	
V	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law 241(6)		<ul> <li>✓ Air Quality;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Mask Provided;</li> <li>☐ Effectiveness of Other Safety Equipment Provided</li> </ul>	
	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-a		(specify:);  ✓ Other(specify): Not yet determined	
	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-e		Wrongful Death	
		<b>V</b>	Loss of Services/Loss of Consortium for Derivative Plaintiff	
		V	Pursuan to 46 U.S.C. § 688 <i>et seq.</i> , and 28 U.S.C. § 1333.	

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# Case 1:07-cv-10228-AKH Document 1 Filed 11/02/2007 Page 8 of 12 IV CAUSATION, INJURY AND DAMAGE

1. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's culpable actions in the rescue and/or recovery and/or construction, renovation, alteration, demolition and all work performed at the premises, the Injured Plaintiff sustained (including, but not limited to) the following injuries:

	Cancer Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:		Cardiovascular Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:
<b>√</b>	Respiratory Injury: Respiratory Problems Date of onset: 3/9/2007 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date	<b>V</b>	Fear of Cancer Date of onset: 3/9/2007 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
	Digestive Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:	V	Other Injury: Eye and/or Ear Problems; Eye Problems; Rashes/Itching, Sores, Lesions Date of onset: 3/9/2007 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date

NOTE: The foregoing is NOT an exhaustive list of injuries that may be alleged.

2. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries identified in paragraph "1", above, the Ground Zero-Plaintiff has in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer the following compensable damages:

✓	Pain and suffering		Expenses for medical care, treatment, and rehabilitation
$\checkmark$	Loss of the enjoyment of life		
		$\checkmark$	Other:
$\checkmark$	Loss of earnings and/or impairment of		✓ Mental anguish
	earning capacity		☑ Disability
			✓ Medical monitoring
$\checkmark$	Loss of retirement benefits/diminution of		✓ Other: Not yet determined.
	retirement benefits		-

3. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries described *supra*, the derivative plaintiff(s), if any, have in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer a loss of the love, society, companionship, services, affection, and support of the plaintiff and such other losses, injuries and damages for which compensation is legally appropriate.

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WHEREFORE, plaintiff(s) respectfully pray that the Court enter judgment in his/her/their favor and against defendant(s) for damages, costs of suit and such other, further and different relief as may be just and appropriate.

 $\label{eq:power_power} Plaintiff(s) \ demands \ that \ all \ issues \ of fact \ in \ this \ case \ be \ tried \ before \ a \ properly \ empane \ lled \ jury.$ 

Dated: New York, New York October 31, 2007

Yours, etc.,

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Jurisdiction is predicated upon 28 U.S.C. §1331, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. § 688, *et seq*, commonly, and hereafter referred to as the *Jones Act*, and under 28 U.S.C. § 1333, General Maritime and Admiralty Jurisdictions of the United States.

Weeks Marine barges are vessels of United States registry and either are or will be within the jurisdiction of this Court during the pendency of this action.

At all material times Weeks Marine was the owner and/or the owner *pro hoc vice*, and/or the bareboat charter of the barges.

At all material times Weeks Marine managed and/or controlled the barge(s).

Plaintiff's injuries occurred due to the negligence and fault of the defendants, their employees, and/or their agents and servants, in that they failed to have adequate and safe procedures for the seamen on the vessel to safely take on, haul, and remove debris, and dredge there was inadequate supervision, training, safety and health equipment and planning of the job.

The conditions, acts and omissions stated above rendered the barges unseaworthy as did the fact that the vessel was not properly designed to take on, haul, transport, and remove hazardous substances.

As a result of defendants' negligence and the unseaworthiness of the barge, plaintiff incurred loss of wages and found, medical expenses, pain and suffering, and will incur future loss of wages and found, medical expenses, pain and suffering.

#### ATTORNEY VERIFICATION

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO, an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, affirms under the penalties of perjury that:

He is the attorney for the plaintiff(s) in the above-entitled action.

That he has read the foregoing SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT and knows

the contents thereof, and upon information and belief, deponent believes

the matters alleged therein to be true.

The reason this Verification is made by deponent and not by the plaintiff(s) is that the plaintiff(s) herein reside(s) in a county other than the one in which the plaintiff's attorneys maintain their office.

The source of deponent's information and the grounds of his belief are communication, papers, reports and investigation contained in the file.

DATED: New York, New York
October 31, 2007

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO

Docket No: UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK ANTONIO BRUCCULERI (AND WIFE, GRACE BRUCCULERI), Plaintiff(s) - against -A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL., Defendant(s). SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP Attorneys for: Plaintiff(s) Office and Post Office Address, Telephone 115 Broadway - 12th Floor New York, New York 10006 (212) 267-3700 To Attorney(s) for Service of a copy of the within is hereby admitted. Dated, Attorney(s) for PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  $\square$  NOTICE OF ENTRY that the within is a (certified) true copy of an duly entered in the office of the clerk of the within named court on □ NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT that an order of which the within is a true copy will be presented for settlement to the HON. one of the judges of the within named Court, at 20 at  $\mathbf{M}.$ Dated, Yours, etc., WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP

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